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Did You Know That—

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The N.S.W. Association have before it shortly a proposal from the Junior Board of that a Junior team be sent to Tasmania this year?

H. Reay, the popular working hon. secretary of the Illawarra Association, represented N.S.W. at the Australian Association meeting recently?

Mr. P. J. Sheppard, honorary of the N.D.B.F.A. originally selected, but could not make the trip during the vacation?

Mr. S. H. Stack, the president of the N.S.W. Association, called a private trip to Queensland (which he was making) to represent Queensland, at the meeting of the Queensland Association, that State, at the Australasian meeting?

Big losses were made on the Czech and Chinese tours but that Australian players are now going to have a turn in? A team is being sent to Java this year. Also, it is proposed to send a team to the United States in 1929, and to indicate that the project is successful.

There is a fine future for players of ability in this State, providing they are not led astray by promises and inducements which are being reported daily.

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The Breakaway Movement

not proposed in this, the issue of "Soccer News" in 1928, to deal extensively the history of the breakaway movement, nor its probable effect on the future of the game in this

and its genesis in the desire of strong clubs to control their finance, and in the desire of the leading players to be for their services. The Association has never opposed the of payments to players, as a matter of fact, in gone to further lengths connection than any other body in this State (except the N.S.W. Cricket Association) as witness the payment of £100,000 to players during the tour.

The recent Australian Conference held in Melbourne, a definitely governing the matter of amateur and professional players definitely adopted, and this will be published next week. This irrespective of this breakaway and arose out of the desire of the Association to effect affiliation with the Australian Olympic Association. With professionalism controlled, therefore, no quarrel.

Association did refuse affiliation with the new organisation, simply because it has been unconstitutionally formed, and because all the vital rules in the N.S.W. Association and its organisations has been

broken, without even permission to form a league having first been sought.

To mention a few of the rules:— Rule 33—N.S.W. provides that a player resident of the Northern District cannot play with a Sydney team and vice versa.

Charters were definitely granted to the Northern District and Metropolitan Associations, which were disregarded by those sponsoring the new movement.

District football in Sydney was scrapped, so far as the new controllers were concerned.

That the loss of nine of last year's clubs, and the formation of two new first-grade clubs is a serious matter to the Association is not denied. It is indeed a calamity that there should be any division in the control of the game in this State. Certain statements have appeared in a section of the Sydney Press, meant to be damaging to the officials, who have worked hard to bring the game to its present high pitch. That those statements are beneath contempt goes without saying.

It is proposed this year to publish a series of articles giving the history of the game, in the last ten years, and the part that has been played by those at present occupying official positions.

Take the position of Hon. Secretary of the N.S.W. Association. That has only been contested once since the present occupant was elected in 1921, and that was in

1923, when the voting was 18 to 3 in favour of the retention of the existing officer.

The Presidency of the M.S.F.A. has not been contested since the annual meeting in 1926. The Presidency of the N.S.W. Association has been unanimously filled by Mr. S. H. Stack since the annual meeting in 1925.

The present Hon. Treasurer of the N.S.W. Association has filled that position for over 10 years continuously, and was only opposed once, on the last occasion, during the whole of that time.

That, to some extent, disposes of the criticism of officials. If they had been lax, and had not been enterprising, the club officials would surely have elected other officials to take their place, or would have at least submitted other nominations for the positions mentioned, as they comprise most of the key positions of the game in this State.

The N.S.W. Association has not yet decided to take any action against players and officials comprising the breakaway body. The Metropolitan Association has decided that players who play with the breakaway clubs must apply for a permit before they can play with the registered clubs.

This leaves the door open for those who want to join with the affiliated clubs, after having played with an unregistered club, to do so, providing permission is sought and granted.

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PROGRAMME

FIRST GRADE.

AUBURN v. BALMAIN.—Granville Showground, 3.15

AUBURN.

(Maroon.)

C. Callaghan.

1-E. Bainbridge 2-A. Hilder
3-G. Cole 4-C. McKay 5-C. Malcolm

6-R. Hutchison 7-E. Rice 8-A. McKay 9-J. Musgrave

O

10-A. Menzies 9-F. Ramsay 8-T. Hurley 7-J. Hay
5-W. Byers 4-R. Seddon 3-A. Robertson

2-W. Pont 1-J. Driscoll
M. Wilson or H. Simmonds

BALMAIN.

(Black and Gold.)

Reserves—Balmain: 11-D. McIvor, 12-H. Palmer.

Referee: G. McLay.

SECOND GRADE.

AUBURN v. BALMAIN.—Granville Showground, 1.45

AUBURN.

(Maroon.)

A. Burnett

1-L. Taylor 2-H. Thoroughgood
3-H. Dewar 4-E. McKay 5-H. Dillon

6-A. Smarti 7-Blank 8-J. Hill 9-R. Wade

O

10-H. Clark 9-R. Burness 8-V. Stewart 7-H. Papps
5-R. Chapman 4-H. McDonald 3-A. Flinn

2-J. Christie 1-L. Hancock
J. McNally or M. Wilson

BALMAIN.

(Black and Gold.)

Referee: A. Grigor.

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PROGRAMME

FIRST GRADE.

CANTERBURY v. S. SYDNEY.—Canterbury, Recreation Ground, 3.15.

CANTERBURY.
(Blue and Gold.)

1—McLaren	Greagg	2—Finch	
3—McLeod	4—Forbes	5—Wright	
Courtney	7—Cook	8—Miller	9—Ruffle
			10—Mills

O

(Team not available.)

SOUTH SYDNEY.
(Red and Green.)

Referee: J. Thompson.

SECOND GRADE.

CANTERBURY v. S. SYDNEY.—Canterbury Recreation Ground, 1.45.

CANTERBURY.
(Blue and Gold.)

1—H. Smith	Gilligan	2—Herrick	
3—Sanders	4—Stepto	5—Brown	
6—Gomers	7—Metcalf	8—S. Moyes	9—L. Smith
			10—Hotson

O

(Team not available.)

SOUTH SYDNEY.
(Red and Green.)

Referee: J. Hague.

Men: Sellars and McGhee.

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N.S.W. and Metropolitan Associations

Results.

OPENING ROUND, APRIL 14.

Adamstown 3, New Lambton nil.
Balgownie 7, Wallsend 2.
Holmesville 3, Cardiff 2.
Canterbury 7, Pyrmont 4.
W. Wallsend 7, Auburn 1.
Corrimbal 2, Balmain 1.
N. Sydney 5, Thirroul 3.
E. Suburbs 2, Helensburgh 1.
South Sydney the bye.

SECOND GRADE.

Auburn 3, Aust. W. Mills 1.
Canterbury 2, Pyrmont 1.
Callan Park v. Balmain (deferred).
South Sydney v. Perdonians (deferred).
E. Suburbs 2, N. Sydney 1.

The Fixtures.

APRIL 21.

Balgownie v. Adamstown. (C. Wales.)
W. Wallsend v. Holmesville.
New Lambton v. Corrimbal.
Cardiff v. Wallsend.
Helensburgh v. Thirroul. (G. Fairs.)
Auburn v. Balmain, Granville Show Gd., 3.15. (G. McLay.)
Canterbury v. S. Sydney, Canterbury, 3.15. (J. Thompson.)
N. Sydney v. Easts, S.C.G. No. 2, 3.15. (T. Leighton.)
Pyrmont the bye.

SECOND GRADE.

Auburn v. Balmain, Granville, 1.45. (A. Grigor.)
Canterbury v. S. Sydney, Canterbury, 1.45. (Hague.)
Perdonians v. Easts, S.C.G. No. 2, 1.45. (W. Clark.)
Pyrmont v. Aust. W. Mills, Granville No. 2, 3.0. (E. J. Martin.)
Callan Park v. N. Sydney, Callan Park, 2.30. (H. Battin.)
Linesmen: S.C.G. No. 2, C. Smith and L. Harber; Canterbury, Sellars and McGhee.

APRIL 25.

Auburn v. S. Sydney, Granville, 3.15. (W. Clark.)
Canterbury v. N. Sydney, Canterbury, 3.15. (H. Battin.)

PROGRAMME

FIRST GRADE.

EASTERN SUBURBS v. NORTH SYDNEY. S.C. Ground No. 2, 3.15.

EASTERN SUBURBS.
(Red, White, and Blue.)

(Goal)
Robison

1-Comrie	2-Lambie
3-Peel	4-Purnell
6-Dickens	7-Featherstone
10-Clayton	9-Dawes
5-J. Furniss	8-Roberts
2-C. Smith	9-Courtney
O	
4-W. McIntosh	10-McEwan
6-Hetherington	
3-G. Rose	
1-Wyper	

Bowyer
(Goal)

NORTH SYDNEY.
(Red and Black.)

Referee: T. Leighton.
Reserve—North Sydney: 11-L. Edwards.

SECOND GRADE.

EASTERN SUBURBS v. PERDRONIANS.—S.C. Ground No. 2, 1.45.

EASTERN SUBURBS.
(Red, White, and Blue.)

(Goal)
R. Caminiti

1-Moran	2-Evison
3-Unwin	4-Dryden
6-A. Caminiti	7-Flowers
O	
8-Clilberd	9-Haynes
10-Close	

(Team not available.)
PERDRONIANS.

Referee: W. Clark.
Linesmen: S.C. Ground—C. Smith and L. Harber.
Reserves: E. Suburbs—11-Rafter, 12-Frederick, 13-O'Connor, 14-Reid.

Pyrmont v. Easts, S.C.G. No. 2, 3.15. (G. McLay.)

Balmain the bye.

Helensburgh v. Balgownie.

Thirroul v. Corrimbal.

Wallsend v. Holmesville.

Cardiff v. Adamstown.

New Lambton v. W. Wallsend.

Linesmen: S.C.G., A. Grigor, L. Harber; Canterbury, Sellars and McGhee.

FIRST GRADE FIXTURES

APRIL 28.

Balmain v. Balgownie, S.C. Ground No. 2.

Helensburgh v. South Sydney.

Thirroul v. Auburn.

Pyrmont v. Nth. Sydney, Red Oval.

Corrimbal v. Wallsend.

Holmesville v. Adamstown.

W. Wallsend v. Cardiff.

New Lambton v. Canterbury Newcastle.

Eastern Suburbs the bye.

Fixtures played on the ground of the first-mentioned team.

SECOND GRADE.

Auburn v. S. Sydney, Granville, 1.45. (C. Smith.)

Canterbury v. N. Sydney, Canterbury, 1.45. (E. J. Martin.)

Pyrmont v. Easts, S.C.G. No. 2, 1.45. (J. Hague.)

Callan Park v. Perdonians, Callan Park, 2.30. (T. Leighton.)

Aust. W. Mills v. Balmain, Granville No. 2, 3.0. (J. Thompson.)

Protestant Churches Association

With the advent of 1928 the Churches wish to extend to all their contemporaries the best of wishes for the season.

The Churches will open their season to-day with, it is expected, 77 teams. At the time of going to press the number of teams was not quite definite.

There will be four Branches—
Balley, St. George, and St. Thomas.

COME-BACKS

Many old teams and club secretaries are staging come-backs this year. Austen's F.C., who were grade premiers in 1920 and have entered again under guidance of Norm. Lance, did not worry much about ball when the 1920 Austens were going strong. Alexandria have been resurrected by able secretary, A. C. Tees. St. Alban's (Ult.) are again in the picture, thanks to the work of Referee Nixon. Holy Trinity have hopes again, with C. S. at the helm. Smithy, by the way, is a married man nowa-

LOSSES.

We are sorry to lose the services of Jim Milne as registrar of our Branch. Jim is again at the helm of Balmain Meth. A, B, and D. Ron. McKechnie, chairman of the same Branch, is now settled at Berrima, and the Branches will sadly miss the Boy."

Al. Dunford, veteran of eight years standing, has joined the Branch of Benedict, and it is feared to football. Ron. Pugh is not too hard—or, so he says.

First Church are no more, and looks like Talker Stevenson missed from Council meeting. He is available to any team. Balley Congs. and St. John's are also missing.

NEW TEAMS.

St. Mark's (Darling Point) now function, and it is hoped there will be several teams from this district in 1928.

Quite a bunch of teams have arisen—Rockdale (Presb., Meth., etc.), and Bexley Presb. Vice-President Sandilands is largely to blame for this increase. Secretary Beckett has entered two teams, as have St. Alban's (Darlington). Helping Hand Mission is really an offshoot of Balmain Meth. Leichhardt Meth. (thanks to Norm. Godbee) have entered an A team, while A. C. Cheeseman will be running two teams from North Croydon Bapt.

P.C.S.R. ASSOCIATION.

The referees have suffered a loss in losing Mr. R. Crockart, who is now a married man, living in Kandos. Mr. J. Forde, of 13 Wright Street, Croydon, is his successor. Mr. R. A. Brydie, who has been president of the referees for so long, did not submit his name for re-election, as it precluded his sitting on Association M.C. Mr. Hudson succeeded him.

OFFICIALS.

There are several new faces among officials this year. Mr. Bob Andrews, hon. registrar in Dalley, is well known as a referee and one-time member of St. John (Balmain). Arch. Viles, branch secretary in St. George, came into the limelight as the hon. secretary of Carlton Bapt. Bill Linnaker, now elevated to Dalley M.C., is the tireless secretary of St. Thomas'. R. McCulloch, of Warren Meth., is on Cook M.C., and also is ground manager at Wardell Road. H. J. Forde, who has followed St. Silas' for so long that he is part of it, is now the hon. registrar in South Sydney. Mr. G. K. Brent, last a member of Cook M.C., is now the branch vice-president, while his predecessor is deputy-president of the Association. Albert Titterton has transferred his affections from Dalley to Cook, and is hon. registrar in the latter branch.

DRAW FOR SATURDAY,
APRIL 28.

FIRST GRADE.

Campsie Meth. A v. Dul. Hill Pres., Canterbury No. 1, 3.15.
Campsie Pres. A v. Austen's, Croydon Park, 3.15.
Croydon Congs. A v. L'hardt Meth. A, Ashfield, 3.15.
Lakemba Congs. A v. All Saints' A, Lakemba, 3.15.
Warren Meth. A v. St. Thomas' A, Cook's River No. 1, 3.15.

COOK BRANCH.

Second Grade.

M'kville Congs. v. Hurlstone Park Meth. A, Wardell Rd. No. 4, 1.45.
Campsie Pres. B v. Punchbowl Meth. A, Punchbowl, 3.15.
Campsie Meth. B v. All Saints' B, Canterbury No. 1, 1.45.
Croydon Congs. B v. Warren Meth. B, Wardell Road No. 4, 3.15.
St. Andrew's (S.H.) A v. Tempe Park Meth. A, C'bry No. 4, 3.15.

Third Grade.

St. Andrew's (S.H.) B v. Dul. Hill Meth., Canterbury No. 4, 1.45.
Punchbowl Meth. B v. N. Croydon Bapt. B, Punchbowl, 1.45.
Hurlstone Pk. Meth. B v. Lakemba Congs. B, Lakemba, 1.45.
Croydon Congs. C v. St. Andrew's (Lak.) A, Ashfield, 1.45.
Campsie Meth. C v. Tempe Park Meth. B, Croydon Park, 1.45.

DALLEY BRANCH.

Second Grade.

Balmain Bapt. A v. St. Aidan's A, Canterbury No. 3, 3.15.
All Saints' C v. Petersham Bapt. A, Wardell Road No. 2, 3.15.
Leichhardt Meth. B v. Balmain Meth. A, Wardell Rd. No. 3, 3.15.
Leichhardt Pres. v. St. Paul's A, Wardell Road No. 2, 3.15.
St. John's (Bal.) v. St. Thomas' B, Cook's River No. 1, 1.45.

Third Grade.

St. Paul's B v. Petersham Bapt. B, Canterbury No. 3, 1.45.
Lakemba Congs. C the bye.
Balmain Meth. D v. St. Aidan's B, Wardell Road No. 3, 1.45.
Helping H. Mission v. Leichhardt Meth. C, Cook's Rr. No. 3, 1.45.
Balmain Meth. C v. Balmain Bapt. B, Wardell Road No. 2, 1.45.

Australian Association's Annual Meeting.

TOURS TO NEW ZEALAND AND JAVA.

The annual conference of the Australian Association was held at Melbourne under the presidency of Mr. S. A. Storey (N.S.W.).

For the first time since the inception of the Association every State was represented. Mr. S. A. Storey (N.S.W.) was re-elected chairman.

The Selection Committee consists of Messrs. E. Lukeman (N.S.W.), R. Holiday (S.A.), W. Cumming (Victoria), J. Hildreth (Queensland), and S. A. Storey (N.S.W.).

It was decided to send an Australian team to New Zealand. The team will leave Sydney at the end of May, returning at the beginning of July.

[This tour has been cancelled, according to Press advices, but no official notification has been received from New Zealand.]

The invitation received from Java to send a team this year was accepted. It is expected that the team will leave on June 20.

Applications are to be invited from States for the Football Association Ltd. (Eng.) Cup Competition, entries closing on May 7. The Cup will be competed for if two States enter. The State drawn first will have choice of home match. The financial arrangements will be in accordance with the amount of travelling.

Permission was given to New South Wales and Queensland to have an exchange of visits during the 1928 season. If both States enter for the F.A. Cup Competition the first match played between these States will count as a match in the first round of the competition.

Notice to Soccer Officials and Players

The Langridge School of Physical Culture has removed to **278 George St.**, four doors below Hunter St. and facing Margaret St. Mr. T. A. Langridge invites you to visit and inspect the new School. Telephone **B 4578.**

Greater enthusiasm seems to be manifest when the game is in a parlous financial state. This was exemplified at the meeting, the whole of the States being represented—South Australia, by W. Bellis; West Australia, by H. Thomas; Tasmania, by W. Cumine; New South Wales, by H. Reay, of the Illawarra Association; while Steve Stack represented the Queensland Association, and H. J. Dockerty sponsored Victoria.

There were no surprises in the election of officers:—Chairman of Council, S. A. Storey; Council, H. Bland (W.A.), W. Bellis (S.A.), W. Cummings (Vic.), H. Reay (N.S.W.), W. Cumine (Tas.), S. Stack (Q.); Standing Committee, S. A. Storey, W. Bellis, G. Tainton, H. J. Dockerty, and H. Reay; Rules Revision Committee, S. A. Storey and E. S. Lukeman; International Tour Committee, G. R. Tainton, W. Cummings, S. Stack, H. Reay (together with the Chairman of Council and Secretary):

W. Allerton.

One of the Granville District's finest workers, in the person of W. Allerton, has severed all connection with the Granville Football Association, to become associated with the Junior Board of Control as vice-chairman. "Bill" is a great supporter of Junior football, and is one of those whom the N.S.W. Association appointed as a Junior selector to select the team that played for the Marshall Shield in South Australia last year.

Queensland v. N.S.W.

A New South Wales side will visit Queensland in the early part of June, and players available will need to put their best foot forward early to gain selection. The first match will probably count in the F.A. Trophy Competition which commences this season.



Protestant Churches' Football Association

SOUTH SYDNEY BRANCH

Second Grade.

N. Croydon Bapt. A v. St. (Ult.) A, Cent. Pk. No. 2
Holy Trinity v. Botany P. Centennial Park No. 1, 3.15
St. Silas' v. St. Barnabas' 3.15.

Balmain Meth. B the bye.

Third Grade.

Alex. Congs. v. May St. Botany, 1.45.
Redfern Congs. v. Botany P. Centennial Park No. 1, 1.15
St. Alban's (Dar.) A v. St. (Ult.) B, Rosebery, 1.45.
St. Alban's (Dar.) B v. B. drew's (Lak.) B, Rosebery
St. Mark's v. McNeil Centennial Park No. 1, 1.15.

ST. GEORGE BRANCH

SECOND GRADE.

Peakhurst Meth. v. St. (Penshurst), Penshurst, 1.15.
Carlton Bapt. v. South H. Meth., Penshurst, 3.15.
Penshurst Presb. the bye.

THIRD GRADE.

Bexley Presb. v. Bankstown Church, Tempe No. 1, 1.15.
Rockdale Church of Christ Paul's (Kog.), Tempe 3.15.
Rockdale Presb. v. Rock Tempe No. 2, 1.45.